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BY ECF

Honorable Nicholas G. Garaufis United States District Judge United States Courthouse Eastern District of New York 225 Cadman Plaza East Brooklyn, New York 11201

Re: <u>Donn Albano. v. City of New York, et al.</u> 11 CV 4350 (NGG) (MDG)

Your Honor:

I am the attorney in the Special Federal Litigation Division of the New York City Law Department assigned to the defense of the above-referenced matter. The parties in this action have reached a settlement agreement. To that end, I respectfully enclose the executed original Stipulation of Settlement and Order of Dismissal for Your Honor's signature and filing.

Defendants thank the Court for its time and consideration of this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew P. Wenzel

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Encl. Stipulation of Settlement and Order of Dismissal

cc: United States Magistrate Marilyn D. Go (By ECF)

John Lambros, Esq. attorney for plaintiff (By ECF)

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK	X	
DONN ALBANO,	Plaintiff,	STIPULATION OF SETTLEMENT AND ORDER OF DISMISSAI
-against-		ORDER OF DISMISSAL
THE CITY OF NEW YORK, POLICE OFFICER SPENCER GARRETT (SHIELD NO. 16468), and DOES 1-10,		11 CV 4350 (NGG) (MDG)
Defendants.		
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WHEREAS, Plaintiff commenced this action by filing a complaint on or about, September 9, 2011, alleging that the Defendants violated Plaintiff's civil rights; and

WHEREAS, Defendants have denied any and all liability arising out of Plaintiff's allegations; and

WHEREAS, the parties now desire to resolve the issues raised in this litigation, without further proceedings and without admitting any fault or liability; and

WHEREAS, Plaintiff has authorized his counsel to settle this matter on the terms set forth below;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED, by and between the undersigned, as follows:

- 1. The above-referenced action is hereby dismissed against Defendants, with prejudice, and without costs, expenses, or attorneys' fees in excess of the amount specified in paragraph 2 below.
- 2. Defendant City of New York hereby agrees to pay Plaintiff, Donn Albano, the sum of **Ten Thousand dollars (\$10,000.00)** in full satisfaction of all claims, including claims for costs, expenses, and attorneys' fees. In consideration for the payment of this sum,

Plaintiff agrees to dismissal with prejudice of all the claims against the named defendants, Police Officer Spencer Garrett, the City of New York and the individuals named herein as "DOES 1-10", and to release and discharge all Defendants, and any present or former employees and agents of the City of New York, or any entity represented by the Office of the Corporation Counsel, from any and all liability, claims, or rights of action alleging a violation of Plaintiff's civil rights, from the beginning of the world to the date of the General Release, including claims for costs, expenses, and attorneys' fees.

- 3. Plaintiff shall execute and deliver to Defendants' attorney all documents necessary to effect this settlement, including, without limitation, a General Release based on the terms of paragraph "2" above and an Affidavit of Status of Liens. If Medicare has provided payment and/or benefits for any injury or condition that is the subject of this lawsuit, prior to tendering the requisite documents to effect this settlement, Plaintiff shall have notified Medicare and shall submit with the settlement documents a Medicare final demand letter for conditional payments. A Medicare Set-Aside Trust may also be required if future anticipated medical costs are found to be necessary pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1395y(b) and 42 C.F.R. §§ 411.22 through 411.26.
- 4. Nothing contained herein shall be deemed to be an admission by the Defendants that they in any manner or way violated Plaintiff's rights, or the rights of any other person or entity, as defined in the constitutions, statutes, ordinances, rules, or regulations of the United States, the State of New York, or the City of New York or any other rules, regulations, or bylaws of any department or subdivision of the City of New York. This stipulation shall not be admissible in, nor is it related to, any other litigation or settlement negotiations.
- 5. Nothing contained herein shall be deemed to constitute a policy or practice of the City of New York or any agency thereof.

6. Plaintiff agrees to hold harmless Defendants the City of New York, Police Officer Spencer Garrett, and the individuals named herein as "DOES 1-10" regarding any liens or past and/or future Medicare payments, presently known or unknown in connection with this matter. If conditional and/or future anticipated Medicare payments have not been satisfied, defendants reserve the right to issue a multiparty settlement check, naming Medicare as a payee or to issue a check to Medicare directly based upon Medicare's final demand letter.

7. This Stipulation and Order contains all the terms and conditions agreed upon by the parties hereto, and no oral agreement entered into at any time nor any written agreement entered into prior to the execution of this Stipulation and Order regarding the subject matter of the instant proceeding shall be deemed to exist, or to bind the parties hereto, or to vary the terms and conditions contained herein.

Dated: New York, New York
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SO ORDERED:

THE HONORABLE NICHOLAS G. GARAUFIS
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE